Reply.—This road is under improvement. A bridge has been sanctioned. The other culverts will also be attended to.

330. Deepening of some portions of the canal from Karipuzha to Veyapuram and the canal from Arattupuzha backwater to Cheppaud Ela.

This subject was also in the name of *Mr. Sankaran Kochukunju Channar.*

Reply.—Some work was recently done on the first canal. Further work is deemed unnecessary. The other canal mentioned is unimportant.

331. Conversion into money of the paddy tax on lands attached to the Aranazhika Nelpura.

This was another of *Mr. Sankaran Kochukunju Channar's* representations.

Reply.—The proposal is not feasible. These Nelpura lands have not been brought under the new scheme.

KOTTARAKARA TALUK.

332. Sanction of funds for repairing the existing irrigation tanks and canals and for providing new ones.

Mr. R. Narayana Iyer (Kottarakara) said that unlike Nanjanad, there were no facilities for agriculture in Kottarakara and that the benefit of the remission rules was not allowed to the ryots in times of failure of crops. He, therefore, requested that funds might be sanctioned for improving the existing irrigation tanks and channels as also for providing new ones in places where they were urgently required.

Reply.—This has been already answered. *Vide* subject No. 130.

333. Recent alteration of the assessment rates on garden lands at Kottarakara.

Mr. R. Narayana Iyer represented that the soil of the dry lands in the taluk was very poor and, as such, the registering officers who visited them included them mostly under the 12th and 13th *tarams.* By a recent order, however, the rates were altered and the 10th and the 11th *tarams* fixed in lieu of them. In this matter, the Settlement Peishkar made his recommendation without inspecting the lands and

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ascertaining for himself the real nature of the soil. Even now, all the necessary entries had not been made in the chittahs and, as such, the member said that it was not too late to redress their grievances.

Reply.—On the recommendation of the Party Officer and the Settlement Peishkar and with due regard to local conditions and the previous Payattupattom tax, the present rates have been sanctioned. Government do not see reasons to alter them.

334. Opening of a Sub-registrar's office at Chadayamangalam.

Mr. R. Narayana Iyer suggested the desirabilty of opening a new sub-registrar's office at Chadayamangalam.

Reply.—This will be considered.

335. Repair of certain temples at Kottarakara.

Mr. R. Narayana Iyer represented that several temples in the taluk, such as Chadayamangalam, Kadakkal, Kottarakara, Kulasekharanallur, Panakkal and Vettikkavala were in a state of utter disrepair and stood in urgent need of improvement.

Reply.—Repairs to temples are undertaken, as already mentioned, to the extent that funds permit, one after another and according to the importance and urgency of each work.

336. Improvement of roads in Kottarakara.

Mr. R. Narayana Iyer represented that there were no proper roads at present in the taluk from (1) Chadayamangalam to Kadakkal, (2) from Kadakkal to South Pallikkal and (3) from Chirankavu to Kulakkada and Puthur.

Reply.—There is already a road from Chadayamangalam to Kadakkal which meets the present requirements. The other works are not considered necessary.

MAVELIKARA TALUK.

337. Opening of a Munsiff's court at Mavelikara.

Mr. G. Idichandy, B. A., Bar-at-Law (*Mavelikara*) observed that Mavelikara was once the seat of a District court and a Munsiff's court, but both these had now been transferred to other places and people had to travel 10 to 18 miles before they could seek redress

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